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early 19th c.

OLD DELIGHT

Of frame construction this two story house has an ell shaped plan resulting from a late 19th c. addition to the rear wall of the original block. The principle facade is five bays in length and a single exterior chimney stands at each end.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Old Delight

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Wilson Road

CITY, TOWN

Plum Point

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

MD

COUNTY

Calvert**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Herbert IrelandTelephone #: 535-0175

STREET & NUMBER

Wilson Road

CITY, TOWN

Plum Point

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

MD**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.Calvert County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

MD**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Interior remodeling prevents structural analysis to support this story although mouldings were observed in the middle section which are typical of those seen in eighteenth century houses. Mrs Irelands grandson, Van, says that he has seen beaded ceiling joists in this section while doing plumbing work. There are beaded joists used as tie-beams in the meathouse and he says that they are quite similar.

The plan of the house after its mid-nineteenth century renovation was as follows. There is a north wing that is five bays wide running east to west. It originally provided a central hall with parlors on either side. Each parlor was heated by an exterior end chimney. These fireplaces have plain mantles which are perceived as transitional from Federal to Victorian. The west parlor was the formal parlor in which company was entertained and from which family members were burried. The east parlor was used by the John Irelands as a dining room. It opened into the old house through a tiny hall and was used as a family room (particularly in winter when the formal parlor was closed off). This room leads into the kitchen and until modern times they each had a fireplace that shared the same chimney. Mrs. Ireland says these were large chimneys and the fireplace was a massive stone one.

The upstairs plan follows the one below except for the kitchen which simply has a loft above it. Mrs. Ireland says that this loft was not used for servants but for storage. She remembers that her grandparents had slaves and that there was a quarters on the property that no longer exists.

Many outbuildings are on this property and they are of varying dates. The earliest appear to be the meathouse and corn crib. The meathouse is lap-joined plank structure like the one at neighboring Letchworth Chance. Also like that meathouse this one uses beaded ceiling joists as tie beams. The meathouse door contains what appear to be very early loop and strap hinges and the battens are fixed with large rose-head nails.

The door of the corn house is similar in this respect. It is a proper post-and-beam structure and utilizes what appear to be pit sawn timbers.

There are two barns on the property but they do not appear to pre-date Ireland ownership. Both have post-and-beam frames, the one closest to the bay is ten rooms with a single transverse sill.

There is a significant archaeological site in the field closet to the Bay. Pottery fragments and an assortment of clay pipes have been found as the result of farming activity.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE**PERIOD**☐ PREHISTORIC☐ 1400-1499☐ 1500-1599☐ 1600-1699☒ 1700-1799☒ 1800-1899☐ 1900-☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC☐ AGRICULTURE☒ ARCHITECTURE☐ ART☐ COMMERCE☐ COMMUNICATIONS**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING☐ CONSERVATION☐ ECONOMICS☐ EDUCATION☐ ENGINEERING☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT☐ INDUSTRY☐ INVENTION☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE☐ LAW☐ LITERATURE☐ MILITARY☐ MUSIC☐ PHILOSOPHY☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT☐ RELIGION☐ SCIENCE☐ SCULPTURE☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN☐ THEATER☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)**SPECIFIC DATES****BUILDER/ARCHITECT****STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Mrs. Herbert Ireland has a deed in her possession which shows that her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bassford bought this farm from Asa Needham in the 1850's. She says that at that time the hous was a "one and a half story colonial type with dormers" that John Bassford remodeled. The house is said to have faced the Bay but the Bassfords turned it to face north, raised it to two stories and then added the west wing. There was and is, a log kitchen attached to the rear (south) of the house.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 72.79

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

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COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

Description and significance statements: Wayne Nield

NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION

STREET & NUMBER

CITY OR TOWN

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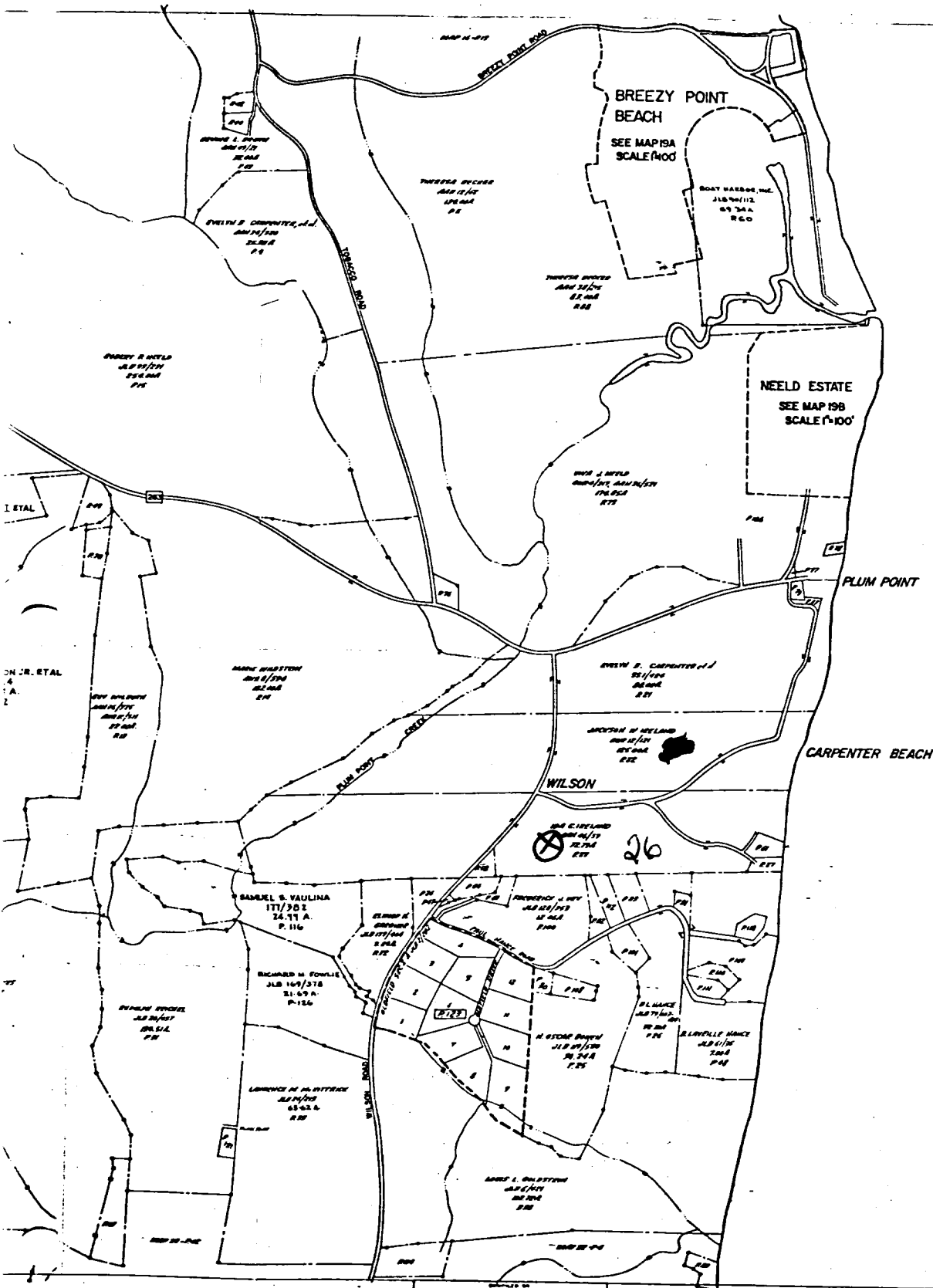
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

1. STATE Maryland COUNTY Calvert County TOWN Plum Point VICINITY STREET NO. ORIGINAL OWNER Asa Needam ORIGINAL USE Dwelling PRESENT OWNER Mrs. Ireland PRESENT USE Dwelling WALL CONSTRUCTION clapboard NO. OF STORIES 2		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY CT - 26	
		2. NAME Old Delight DATE OR PERIOD STYLE ARCHITECT BUILDER	
		3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION <div style="text-align: right;">OPEN TO PUBLIC NO</div> <p>This is a simple frame early 19th century dwelling with a very gently sloping A-roof. It is 5 bays wide and one deep. There is a 2 story wing at the rear. All of the windows are 6/6 sashes and there is a central door. There are no windows on the end walls of the house. There is an exterior brick chimney at each end of the house, separated from the wall above the second story level. A one story porch runs across the front of the house.</p> <p>This simple but attractive old building is situated high on a hill and commands a fine view of the Chesapeake Bay.</p>			
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior			
Very good.			
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)		7. PHOTOGRAPH	
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER Paul A. Brinkman DATE OF RECORD July 21, 1967	

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CHESAPEAKE BAY

CARPENTER BEACH

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